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The Public Notice for the *FINAL DRAFT Remedial Action Plan (RAP)/Record of Decision (ROD)/Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Closure Plan And California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Negative Declaration for Investigation Area H1, Mare Island, Vallejo, California* was published in the following newspapers each day between May. 24, 2006 and May 30, 2006:

- Benicia Herald
- Contra Costa Times
- Fairfield Daily Republic
- Napa Valley Register
- Vallejo Times Herald

The following text was published in each paper:

PUBLIC NOTICE

FINAL DRAFT REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN (RAP)/RECORD OF DECISION (ROD)/RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT (RCRA) CLOSURE PLAN AND CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR INVESTIGATION AREA H1, MARE ISLAND, VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA

The U.S. Navy Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Program Management Office West, and the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), invite public comment on the Final Draft RAP/ROD//RCRA Closure Plan for a proposed environmental cleanup and closure action at the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard in Vallejo, California. The plan is to install a multilayer geosynthetic horizontal cap over a 72 acre landfill containment area located within Investigation Area H1 (IA-H1). The cap will work in conjunction with an existing 7,300 foot long perimeter groundwater containment barrier and extraction system, to isolate and eliminate direct contact with refuse and reduce soil erosion, rainfall infiltration, and potential contaminant migration. The multilayer cap will incorporate a 60-mil high density polyethylene geomembrane and geotextile drainage layer, and where warranted, a geocomposite gas collection layer and geocomposite clay liner.

The geosynthetic cap system will be covered by a two-foot thick layer of soil from a nearby borrow source. Vertical pipes in the cap will allow the safe venting of soil gas, primarily methane, generated by the buried waste. Surface controls will include grading and revegetation with native grasses to reduce soil erosion. A chain link fence installed around the perimeter of the containment area will prevent unauthorized access that could damage the cap. Long term groundwater monitoring and land use controls will ensure the continued effectiveness of the containment system.

Areas within IA-H1 but outside the containment area, having contaminated soil in excess of cleanup criteria (hot spots), will be excavated and covered by a two-foot layer of clean soil. Excavated hot spot soil will be placed within the containment area as subgrade material under the

cap. Impacted soils from other areas on Mare Island may also be considered for placement under the Containment Area cap. Approximately 8.25 acres of wetlands will be created within IA-H1 as compensation for 7.0 acres of wetlands which will be impacted by the geosynthetic cap system.

In compliance with CEQA requirements, DTSC has prepared an Initial Study to evaluate environmental impacts from the proposed cleanup and closure actions in IA H1. DTSC has concluded that the project will not have a significant impact on the environment and intends to issue a CEQA Negative Declaration.

The public comment period for the Final Draft RAP/ROD//RCRA Closure Plan is from May 30, 2006 through June 30, 2006. A public meeting is scheduled for 7:00 PM on June 1, 2006 at the John F. Kennedy Library located at 505 Santa Clara Avenue in Vallejo, California. Written comments should be postmarked no later than June 30, 2006, and be mailed to:

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or

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700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710-2721

The Final Draft RAP/ROD//RCRA Closure Plan, and all other documents related to this site are available for review at the following locations:

John F. Kennedy Public Library, Reference Desk
505 Santa Clara Avenue
Vallejo, CA
(707) 553-5568

Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC)
700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA
(510) 540-3800 for an appointment

For questions about the Final Draft RAP/ROD//RCRA Closure Plan or CEQA Negative Declaration, please contact Mr. Richard Perry at (510) 540-3910.